WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Misuse of funds by AAI

†5329. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the funds allocated to Airports Authority of India for the purpose of development and expansion of Indian air services are substantially being misused;

(b) if so, whether Government have received any complaint in this regard;

(c) if so, the details of action taken on each complaint; and

(d) what remedial measures have been taken or are proposed to be taken to check such misutilization of funds?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) The accounts of the Airports Authority of India are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) every year and no such matter has been raised by them.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Blackmailing of AI by Pilots

5330. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that instances of blackmailing of Air India flights by pilots are on the increase;

(b) if so, the number of instances when Air India pilots refused to fly the planes; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken to put an end to this practice?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) Some cases have been noticed where flights have been disrupted or delayed due to irresponsible acts of the pilots.

(c) The management has had a constructive dialogue with the Pilots.

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